

**CHAP. 270.**—An Act To amend the fourth proviso to section 24 of the Immigration Act of 1917, as amended.

February 21, 1931.

[H. R. 9803.]

[Public, No. 712.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the fourth proviso to section 24 of the Immigration Act of 1917, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Immigration Act of 1917, amended.  
Vol. 39, p. 893; Vol. 45, p. 954, amended.  
U. S. C. Supp. IV, p. 62.

*“Provided further,* That when inspectors or other employees of the Immigration Service and officers and employees of the Naturalization Bureau and Naturalization Service are ordered to perform duty in a foreign country, or transferred from one station to another, in the United States or in a foreign country, they shall be allowed their traveling expenses in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary of Labor may deem advisable, and they may also be allowed, within the discretion and under written orders of the Secretary of Labor, the expenses incurred for the transfer of their wives and dependent minor children; their household effects and other personal property, not exceeding in all five thousand pounds, including the expenses for packing, crating, freight, and drayage thereof. The expense of transporting the remains of such officers, inspectors or other employees who die while in, or in transit to, a foreign country in the discharge of their official duties, to their former homes in this country for interment, and the ordinary and necessary expenses of such interment and preparation for shipment at their posts of duty or at home, are hereby authorized to be paid on the written order of the Secretary of Labor.

Traveling expenses on change of station, etc., allowed.

Expenses of transporting remains to be paid.

Approved, February 21, 1931.

**CHAP. 271.**—An Act To amend an Act entitled “An Act to authorize the cancellation, under certain conditions, of patents in fee simple to Indians for allotments held in trust by the United States.”

February 21, 1931.

[H. R. 15267.]

[Public, No. 713.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Act of February 26, 1927 (44 Stat. 1247), authorizing the Secretary of the Interior, under certain conditions, to cancel patents in fee for Indian allotments, be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following:

Indian allotments.  
Cancellation of fee simple patents to.  
Vol. 44, p. 1247.

“SEC. 2. Where patents in fee have been issued for Indian allotments, during the trust period, without application by or consent of the patentees, and such patentees or Indian heirs have sold a part of the land included in the patents, or have mortgaged the lands or any part thereof and such mortgages have been satisfied, such lands remaining undisposed of and without incumbrance by the patentees, or Indian heirs, may be given a trust patent status and the Secretary of the Interior is, on application of the allottee or his or her Indian heirs, hereby authorized, in his discretion, to cancel patents in fee so far as they cover such unsold lands not encumbered by mortgage, and to cause new trust patents to be issued therefor, to the allottees or their Indian heirs, of the form and legal effect as provided by the Act of February 8, 1887 (24 Stat. 388), and the amendments thereto, such patents to be effective from the date of the original trust patents, and the land shall be subject to any extensions of the trust made by Executive order on other allotments of members of the same tribe, and such lands shall have the same status as though such fee patents had never been issued: *Provided,* That this Act shall not apply where any such lands have been sold

Issue of trust patents, on unincumbered, etc., lands, authorized.

Effective date.

Proviso.  
When not applicable.